

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Claims 1-13 have been canceled. New Claims 14-30 are active in the case.

Reconsideration is respectfully requested.

The present invention relates to a process for the emulsion polymerization of olefins.

Specification Amendments

The specification has been amended in order to introduce therein appropriate section headings. Entry of the amendments is respectfully requested.

Claim Amendments

Minor improvements have been made in the language of the new dependent claims that have been introduced into the case to replace the original dependent claims. New Claims 22-24 are supported by the specification on page 13, lines 15-17 and page 15, lines 1-16. None of the new claims are believed to have introduced new matter into the case. Entry of the new claims into the record is respectfully requested.

Claim Rejection, 35 USC 112, Second Paragraph

Claims 1-13 stand rejected based on 35 USC 112, second paragraph.

Claim 1 has been canceled in favor of new Claim 14. In so doing, there has been a reordering of the language and structure of the original claim. As a result of the restructuring of the claim and the punctuation employed, it is believed that the issues which form the basis for the rejection of Claim 1 have been obviated. Withdrawal of the rejection of the claims is respectfully requested.

Claim 12 stands rejected based on 35 USC 112 and 35 USC 101. These grounds of rejection are believed to have been overcome by the cancellation of Claim 12 in favor of new

Claims 28-30. The new claims are in the form of conventional method-of-use claims in that positive steps are recited in each of the claims for accomplishing the stated objective of each claim. The newly presented claims are not believed to have introduced new matter into the case. Withdrawal of the rejections is respectfully requested.

It is now believed that the application is in proper condition for allowance. Early notice to this effect is earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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